

Now witnesseth by these presents that I  
Alphonso Steel of the county of Washington  
and Republic of Texas do make constable and  
appoint my trusty friend Felipe Bartlett my  
true and lawful attorney in fact for  
me and in my stead to settle my account  
with the auditor and paymaster of the  
Republic of Texas and to receive from  
either of both of them as the case may  
be a certificate for the same and he  
the said Felipe Bartlett is further author-  
ized to assign my name to any instrument  
of writing that may be necessary for  
the further settlement of said claim and  
to do all other acts that would be necessary  
for me to do were I personally present  
and such assignment when made shall  
be as good and valid both in law and  
equity as if I were personally present  
and done it myself in witness whereof  
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed  
my seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1834

John Friend  
Attwngt<sup>g</sup> J. S. Bartlett  
Witnessed & Subscribed  
John Friend

(TX) Alphonso Steel